Progress made in implementation of SSA in the Country

637. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in the implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) in the different States of the country;

(b) whether some States including U.P. are adopting lackadaisical approach towards this project;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of the States want the funds to come to them first whereas the Ministry has directed that funds are to be sent directly to SSA Samitis; and

(d) what steps are proposed to be taken to remove such hurdles and shortage of funds for the success of SSA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) and (b) The programme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan covers the entire country and addresses the needs of 19.2 crore children in 11 lakh habitations. 8.5 lakh existing primary and upper primary schools and 33 lakh existing teachers are covered under the Scheme. District Elementary Education Plans (DEEPs) of 592 districts were approved at an outlay Rs. 3080.10 crores during 2002-2003. During 2003-04 DEEPs of 422 districts from 15 States and 2 Union Territories at an outlay of Rs. 5944.16 crores have been approved so far. Other States/U.T.s except Goa have submitted their plans and these are being appraised before consideration by the Project Approval Board.

(c) & (d) The programme is being implemented in mission mode and funds are released in accordance with the District Elementary Education Programmes approved by the Project Approval Board to State Implementation Societies constituted by the State Government.

ICSE and CBSE education in Karnataka schools

638. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the numbers of schools in Karnataka providing education in ICSE and CBSE curriculum;

(b) the number of children studying in various classes in ICSE and CBSE syllabus in Karnataka; and

(c) the number of schools which have been given permission to start ICSE and CBSE syllabus in Karnataka during 2003-2004?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) As per the information obtained from Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) and Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), there are 87 schools affiliated to CISCE and 142 schools affiliated to CBSE in Karnataka.

(b) The number of children studying in CISCE affiliated schools in various classes in Karnataka is approximately 45,000. The number of students who appeared in the class X & XII examination in March, 2003 of the CBSE were 10,639.

(c) During 2003-04, CISCE and CBSE have given affiliation to 5 & 6 school respectively till date.

Female literacy in J&K

639. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the female literacy in Jammu & Kashmir compared to other States for the last three years:

(b) whether funds have been granted to Jammu & Kashmir for starting vocational courses to increase female literacy in the State; and

(c) if so, the amount released for the year 2003-04?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) The female literacy rate in Jammu and Kashmir, as per Census 2001, is 41.82%. The State-wise female literacy rate, as per Census 2001, is given in the enclosed Statement . (*See* below)